



# APPG for Further Education and Lifelong Learning

All Party Parliamentary Group on FE and Lifelong Learning  
Wednesday 26 Feb 2020, 4.30pm  
Portcullis House, Room O

Meeting was opened at 4.35pm

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## Present

### MPs

Peter Kyle MP, Hove, Labour (meeting host)  
Emma Hardy MP, Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle, Labour  
Stephen Farry MP, North Down, Alliance  
Tonia Antoniazzi MP, Gower, Labour  
Sarah Jones MP, Croydon Central, Labour

### Peers

Baroness Garden of Frognal, Liberal Democrat

### Observers

Lauren Tiltman, Association of Colleges  
David Hughes, Association of Colleges  
Liz Wenzerul, Association of Colleges  
Lewis Cooper, Independent Commission on the College of the Future  
Philippa Alway, Independent Commission on the College of the Future  
Leigh Powell, Unison  
Siobhan Reynolds, Office of Peter Kyle

## Apologies

Lord Watson of Invergowrie, Labour  
Beth Winter MP, Cynon Valley, Labour

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## Background

The APPG for Further Education and Lifelong Learning's purpose is to represent, promote and develop the interests of further education and adult learning.

## Opening welcome

Peter Kyle welcomed all members to Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Further Education and Lifelong Learning (APPG), noting that the meeting was quorate and that the group met all qualifying requirements.

## Election of Officers

Peter Kyle MP was duly elected as Chair of the APPG.

Baroness Garden of Frognal was duly elected as vice chair.  
Stephen Farry MP was duly elected as vice chair.  
Peter Aldous MP was duly elected as vice-chair.  
Emma Hardy MP was duly elected as an officer.

The Officers of the Group are:

[Peter Kyle MP](#), Labour, Hove – Chair

[Peter Aldous MP](#), Conservative, Waveney – Vice-Chair

[Stephen Farry MP](#), Alliance, North Down – Vice-Chair

[Baroness Garden of Frognal](#), Liberal Democrat – Vice-Chair

[Emma Hardy MP](#), Labour, Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle - Officer

### **Objectives**

The overall aim of the APPG on Further Education and Lifelong Learning is to promote and develop the interests of FE, adult learning, skills sectors and to advise Government ministers on matters of concern to those sectors.

### **Frequency of meetings of the APPG**

The APPG will meet quarterly (including the AGM), and at other times as required to respond to matters arising that require early address.

### **Topics for next and future meetings**

- Meeting with Gillian Keegan MP, newly appointed Minister for Apprenticeships and Skills
- Spending review: The future of college education
- Panel discussion on measuring the introduction and impact of T Levels
- Meeting with Michelle Donelan MP (Minister for Higher Education) or Chair of the Education Select Committee, Robert Halfon MP

### **Any other business**

No further business was discussed.

Meeting closed at 4.39pm